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Chinese except 1, a sailor from the Japanese steamship *Kagashima Maru*. One case of smallpox was imported into the colony by the U. S. S. *Vicksburg*. One case of diphtheria and 1 case of enteric fever were also reported during the week.

A letter was received during the week from Dr. Anna K. Scott, of the American Baptist Mission at Swatow, stating that cholera has been epidemic at Swatow and surrounding villages, but that since the beginning of the rainy season there has been some improvement.

It was definitely determined during the week that the Sek Ke district has also been visited by an epidemic of cholera, and that for the past three months plague has been very severe. This district is about 40 miles northwest of Macao, on a tributary of the West River. Practically all the potatoes in the market come from this district during the early spring months.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. KERR,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Cholera at Tientsin.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D. C., June 14, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to advise you, for the information of the U. S. Marine-Hospital Service, that the Department is in receipt of a telegram from the consul at Tientsin, which reads as follows: "Cholera here."

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

Cholera increasing in Shanghai.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D. C., June 18, 1902.

SIR: For the information of the U. S. Marine-Hospital Service, I have the honor to advise you that the Department is in receipt of a telegram from the consul-general of the United States at Shanghai, China, under date of the 17th instant which reads: "Cholera increasing here. About 30 foreign cases. Unknown, but large number natives dying daily."

Respectfully,

JOHN HAY,
Secretary of State.

The SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

COLOMBIA.

Weekly report of conditions and transactions at Bocas del Toro—Fruit port.

BOCAS DEL TORO, COLOMBIA, *June 10, 1902.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended June 9, 1902:

Population according to census, not obtainable. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from